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SUBJ: AMCIT CHARLES M. DEAN

REF: VIENTIANE 0026

1. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM FORMER FAR SOLDIERS WHO HAVE JUST ARRIVED IN VIENTIANE AFTER ESCAPING FROM PATHET LAO FORCES IN KHAM KEUT AREA INDICATES THAT DEAN AND SHARMAN WERE MOVED EASTWARD FROM KHAM KEUT ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 14. ESCAPEES WERE TOLD BY PL GUARDS THAT DEAN AND SHARMAN WERE BEING TAKEN TO SAM NEUA. ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE BEING DEVELOPED AND WILL BE REPORTED SEPTTEL.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS ENCOURAGING NEWS IN THAT IT SHOWS THAT DEAN AND SHARMAN ARE ALIVE AND WELL. FURTHERMORE,
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A MOVE TO SAM NEUA BRINGS THEM NEARER THE "FLAGPOLE."

ON THE OTHER HAND, WE FIND THIS DEVELOPMENT MOST PERPLEXING AGAINST THE BACKGROUND OF THE PL DENIAL THAT THEY ARE IN CUSTODY AND CANNOT RECONCILE THE PL DISAVOWAL OF KNOWLEDGE OF DEAN AND SHARMAN WITH THE NECESSARILY HIGH LEVEL ORDERS WHICH WOULD BE REQUIRED TO AUTHORIZE THIS TRANSFER TO SAM NEUA. OUR NOTE TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IS BEING SLIGHTLY REVISED AS THE BOATMAN HAS NOT ARRIVED IN PAKSANE, BUT WE EXPECT TO DELIVER IT JANUARY 7 AND WILL CABLE TEXT TO YOU.

3. PLEASE PASS FOREGOING TO HOWARD DEAN.
WHITEHOUSE

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